Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, No living thing lives alone, but depends in some ways upon certain other living and nonliving things; and,

WHEREAS, All parts of our environment are closely related to one another, and a type of pollution that chiefly harms one part may also affect others; and,

WHEREAS, Environmental pollution is one of the most serious problems facing humanity today; and,

WHEREAS, Our air, water, and land, which are being harmed by pollution, are necessary to the survival of all living things; and,

WHEREAS, Recent study and research have produced much information on such issues as solid waste, radiation, ozone, acid rain, and radon, which have a definite effect upon our environment; and,

WHEREAS, We must realize that there are methods that can help reduce or prevent pollution, and although it may seem that some of these methods would result in higher costs and less convenience, we must consider the long-term cost and the price we, or our children, will pay for choosing not to use these methods; and,

WHEREAS, To build a better future for forthcoming generations, we all must work together to develop a greater respect for our environment; to protect our water, land, and air; and to maintain environmental stability:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 14 through 20, 1989, as

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS WEEK

in South Dakota, and urge all citizens to reaffirm their commitment to protecting our environment and to join in this observance with appropriate ceremony and activity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE